

REMARKS

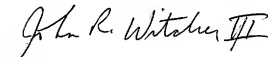
Applicant has carefully reviewed the Office Action mailed November 1, 2006 and offers the following remarks.

Claims 1-39 were rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-29 of U.S. Patent No. 6,985,961. Applicant submits herewith a Terminal Disclaimer in response to the nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection made in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,985,961 to overcome the rejection. Applicant therefore requests the nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection be withdrawn. As such, the present application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. The Examiner is encouraged to contact Applicant's representative regarding any remaining issues in an effort to expedite allowance and issuance of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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